

# Soldier Summit's Dissolution

## Leaves Many Memories

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**SOLDIER SUMMIT**—A once thriving railroad town, is now only the mere memory to some, who remember it as being the second largest city in Wasatch County.

When the railroad was built over the summit, a passing truck and locomotive-turning way were constructed to send the helper engines back down the Colton or Tucker.

In the year 1919, the railroad came in, and set up a good sized community, as it moved its division points from Helper to Soldier Summit. The railroad constructed classification yards, passenger and freight stations, a round house, locomotive shops and facilities, plus 70 employee homes, a large hotel, swimming pool and YMCA building, totaling

over a million dollars.

After the railroad established a town, there came the three stores, two automobile garages, a restaurant, billiard hall and a real estate office. There was even a modern school house.

Three years after the initial homes were built, 50 more homes were installed, and there was over a population of 300 people living there.

But because of economics in the railroad, the summit was closed, and many of the buildings were taken away. Today, there exists a small store, a gas station, and several homes. Of the small handful of the town residents, only a few live there full-time.

The final blow to dissolve the town came when Wasatch County Commissioners and Utah County Commissioners signed an agreement which made the disincorporation legal. Soldier Summit has

incorporated areas both in Wasatch and Utah Counties, making it necessary for both commissions to work together to dissolve the township.

The order was finally given, after Utah County Deputy Attorney Guy Birmingham worked on the dissolution for several months, Utah County 4th District Judge, who will make the disincorporation legal after the notice has been published 4 times.

The disincorporation action was pushed hard by the Utah County Commissioners and Utah County Planner Buck Rose, who felt that the city of Soldier Summit was not within the control of the planning office.

Soldier Summit recently incorporated 4,000 acres of land which has no water or sewer rights. The land was then being studied for a huge development, which county officials were concerned about.

County Planner Robert Mathis stated clearly that there were "no real ability (by the city) to service and provide a responsible



in Rexburg.  
Valorie North, Susan Sweat,  
Corrine Ann Barr, and Steven  
Leslie North, were among 1,200  
students who participated in the  
ceremonies in the Hart Auditor-  
ium on campus and heard Elder  
Neal A. Maxwell, a member of the  
Council of the Twelve of the  
Church of Jesus Christ of

including among other things, the  
skill to differentiate between mere  
information and wisdom," Max-  
well said.

Following the commencement  
exercises, graduates were award-  
ed diplomas at seven separate  
convocations. Multiple degrees  
were awarded to 77 students and  
some 258 others had completed

diplomas from the Division of  
Religion and Family Living, 148  
were National Science majors, 101  
Industrial Science majors, 98 Arts  
and Letters and 83 agriculture.  
Some 560 students with undeclar-  
ed majors received general edu-  
cation diplomas.

Graduates came from 43 states  
and 17 countries. Idaho lead the

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Norman Durtschi  
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